

REMARKS

Claims 66 through 104 and 112 through 113 were presented for consideration and remain pending upon entry of the instant amendment.

Figure 2 has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner, namely to include the legend "Prior Art". In addition, the specification has been amended to change "state of the art" to "prior art". Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to the drawings and specification are respectfully requested.

Applicants note with appreciation the allowance of claims 96 and 104.

In addition, Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 66 through 95 and 97 through 103 if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph.

The Office Action objected to claim 72. Claim 72 has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner, namely to delete the claim element "little". As such, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to claim 72 are respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejected claims 66 through 95 and 97 through 103 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Specifically, the Office Action asserts claims 66, 97, and 98 are indefinite because "it is unclear where the first space is."

See page 3, lines 23-24 of the Office Action.

Reference numeral 1014 is now referred to in the specification as "intermediate space" to render the specification consistent with the claims. Furthermore, reference numeral 115 has been added to Fig. 4a and the specification to identify the outer atmosphere for further clarification. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending independent claims 66, 97, and 98 and dependent claims 67 through 103 are definite.

Claims 100 and 103 have been amended to provide proper antecedent basis to all claim elements.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections to claims 66 through 95 and 97 through 103 are respectfully requested.

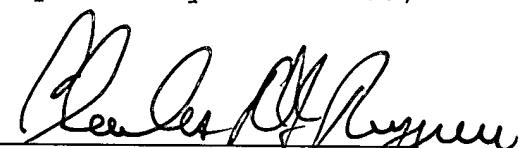
As stated above, the Office Action indicated claims 66 through 95 and 97 through 103 were allowable if rewritten to overcome the 112, second paragraph rejections. Thus, claims 66 through 95 and 97 through 103 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

The Office Action listed claims 112 and 113 as being rejected in the Office Action Summary. However, the Office Action does not set forth grounds for rejection in the Detailed Action. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 112 and 113 are allowable. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection to claims 112 and 113 are requested.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with Applicants' attorney would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to call the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings:

Fig. 2 has been corrected to add legend --Prior Art-- for approval by the Examiner. A replacement page for Fig. 2 is included herewith.

Fig. 4a has been corrected to add reference numeral 115 for approval by the Examiner. A replacement page for Fig. 4a is included herewith.